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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Legislation

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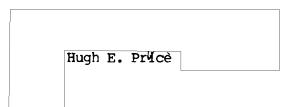
Director of Personnel

SUBJECT: First Draft of Intelligence Authorization Bill

for Fiscal Year 1988

REFERENCE: Your memo, same subject, CCA 86-3968, dtd 2 December 1986

Per your request, we have reviewed the subject legislative draft. It is our understanding that no provision of the bill detracts from current DCI or Agency personnel authorities; that Section 705 of the bill neither requires the DCI to establish, nor precludes him from establishing, a graduate-level "critical skills" program similar to the one mandated for NSA; and that Sections 703 and 704 would increase the benefits available to Agency personnel, while Section 607 would enhance the benefits available to military personnel assigned to intelligence duties in support of the DCI. Subject to this understanding, we have no objections to the draft bill, and in fact, specifically support Sections 607, 703, and 704. Although the effect of this bill will be to give NSA, DIA, and the military departments' intelligence components greater authority and bring those organizations closer to parity with the Agency in the personnel and benefits areas, this Agency still would retain its preeminent status, and the new initiatives being pursued by the Agency's Human Resource Modernization and Compensation Project should serve to keep this Agency first and foremost in the Community in personnel matters.



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